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# **72-HOUR REPORT**

27 DECEMBER 2021

## (U) CALIFORNIA

## (U) Laguna Hills - Bomb Threat Made at Saddleback Medical Center

(U) An unidentified induvial claimed to be at Saddleback Memorial Center in Laguna Hills with a bomb, the Orange County Sheriff's Department announced, but investigators had determined the threat was a hoax. "Investigators have confirmed the reported bomb threat at Saddleback Hospital was false," the Sheriff's Department wrote on Twitter. "The area was searched and nothing suspicious was located." SOURCE: 26 December 2021, KTLA5

# (U) Los Angeles – LAPD Arrests Four in Connection with Follow-Home Crimes

(U) Three men face murder and robbery charges and a fourth faces a robbery charge in connection with a spate of follow-home robberies that have plagued the city in recent weeks, police said. A Los Angeles Police Department task force on follow-home robberies, with assistance from an LAPD SWAT unit and Beverly Hills, Glendale and Fontana police, made the arrests on 21 December in various locations in Los Angeles and Fontana. The suspects were Jayon Sanders, 21, Abraham Castillo, 20, Tyree Singleton, 20, and Joshua Saulsberry, 21. Sanders, Castillo and Singleton have all been charged with murder, robbery and attempted robbery. Saulsberry is charged with robbery.

SOURCE: 24 December 2021, NBC Los Angeles

#### (U) NATIONAL

# (U) District of Columbia – DOJ Awards More Than \$125 Million Under Stop School Violence Act

(U) Washington – The Department of Justice announced that the STOP School Violence Act will provide roughly \$126 million in funding to improve school safety. The grants will help institute safety measures in and around primary and secondary schools, support school violence prevention efforts, provide training to school personnel and students, and implement evidence-based threat assessments. It also offered funding to support a positive school climate by assisting students and teachers in recognizing, responding to, and preventing acts of violence.

SOURCE: 25 December 2021, CBS13

SOURCE: 24 December 2021, NBC News

#### (U) Illinois – Four People Injured After Shooting Breaks Out at Mall

(U) Chicago – A shooting at a suburban Chicago mall full of Christmas shoppers left four people injured, police said. The incident at Oakbrook Center began with two males involved in a shootout in a corridor, police Chief James Kruger said. He said the injuries were not life-threatening. Three people who were shot were initially believed to have been hit by ricocheting bullets, but Kruger later said they were directly struck. A fourth person suffered an ankle injury while running away.

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# (U) INTERNATIONAL

### (U) Burkina Faso - 41 Killed in Ambush

(U) Ouagadougou – Islamic extremists killed 41 people last week in an attack in northern Burkina Faso, including the prominent leader of a volunteer group helping the country's military, the government said. Government spokesman Alkassoum Maiga announced two days of mourning following the deadly ambush on a convoy in Loroum province. Among the victims was Soumaila Ganame, also known as Ladji Yoro. Burkina Faso's President Roch Marc Christian Kabore said Ganame had died for his country and "must be a model of our determined commitment to fight the enemy."

SOURCE: 25 December 2021, AP News

## (U) Congo – Suicide Bombing Kills Six

(U) Beni – A suicide bomber attacked a restaurant and bar as patrons gathered on Christmas Day, killing at least six others in an eastern Congolese town where Islamic extremists are known to be active. Heavy gunfire rang out shortly after the bomb went off, with panicked crowds fleeing the town's center. The attack marked the first known time that a suicide bomber has killed victims in eastern Congo, where an Islamic State group affiliate earlier this year took responsibility for a suicide bombing near another bar in Beni who had caused no other casualties.

SOURCE: 25 December 2021, The Washington Post

#### (U) United Arab Emirates – Yemeni Rebels Attack Kills Two, Wounds Seven

(U) Dubai – A Yemeni rebel attack on Saudi Arabia's southern border town of Jizan killed two people and wounded seven more, Saudi state-run media reported. Yemen's Houthi rebels launched a projectile that killed a Saudi citizen and Yemeni resident in the southwestern Saudi province of Jizan, the official Saudi Press Agency reported. Six of the wounded are Saudis and one is a Bangladeshi national, Saudi media said.

SOURCE: 25 December 2021, ABC News

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